

Appl. No. 10/687,943

Amdt. Dated 4 April 2006

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination and reconsideration of this application as amended is requested. By this Supplementary Amendment, claims 8 and 17 have been amended, claims 1, 3, 10, and 18 were previously amended, and claims 2 and 13-16 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 3-12, and 17-19 remain in the application.

As discussed with Examiner Crepeau on the phone 4 April 2006, this Supplementary Amendment has been submitted with a claim set wherein claims 1-7, 9-16, and 18-19 have been repeated as in the previous Amendment, and claims 8 and 17 have been amended herein.

CONCLUSION

The remaining cited references have been reviewed and are not believed to affect the patentability of the claims as amended.

No amendment made herein was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated; and no amendment made herein was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless Applicant has argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references.

In view of Applicant's amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Examiner's rejections have been overcome. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the application, as amended, is now in condition for allowance, and such allowance is therefore earnestly requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to further discuss this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the Applicants attorneys at 480-385-5060.

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If for some reason Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or have not paid a sufficient fee for this response and/or for the extension necessary to prevent abandonment on this application, please consider this as a request for an extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 502,091 for any fee which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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